Communication network at Calcutta airport

6540. SHRI SOMJIBHAI DAMOR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the communication network at Calcutta airport and city office is inadequate;

(b) whether there is no tele-booking facility at Calcutta airport; and

(c) the effective steps taken to improve functioning at Calcutta airport by providing tele-booking facility?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Tele-booking facility is available round the clock at Calcutta Airport.

Movement of Timber Logs ex-Dimapur

6541. SHRI SOMJIBHAI DAMOR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been inordinate delay in the movement of timber logs Ex-Dimapur Station to various railways workshops;

(b) whether the empties of BKC and BFR wagons are allowed to return without load via Dimapur station upto transhipment point at NBO and thus causing return of most of the BG open wagons Ex-NBO causing loss of revenue; and

(c) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (c). The movement of timber logs from Dimapur requires BFR and BKC type of wagons and the loading process is very slow and tortuous. As a result there is unavoidable time lag between the placement of indents and supply of wagons. Only some rejected BFRs & BKCs, negligible in number are returned without loading. Timber logs are already being cleared from Dimapur Station and supply of suitable wagons will be stepped up.

Setting up of Baggasse-Based Power Station in Karnataka

6542. SHRI MORESHWAR SAVE: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to set up a baggasse based power station in Karnataka; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTRY OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b). The information is being collected which will be laid on the Table of the House.

[*Translation*]

Muzaffarpur Bihar

6543. SHRI NAWAL KISHORE RAI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to open LPG agencies and petrol/diesel outlets in Sitamarhi and Muzaffarpur districts in Bihar in near future;

(b) if so, the details and the locations thereof;

(c) whether any survey has been conducted in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (e). Retail outlets are opened as per marketing plans and policy in force from time to time.

[*English*]

Karappara Hydel Power Project, Kerala

6544. SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any delay in giving clearance to Karappara hydel power project in Kerala; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTRY OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b). The modified Project Report of Karappara-Kuriarkutty multi-purpose Project was received from the project authorities in October, 1990. It was examined by Central Water Commission and discussed by the Screening Committee in April, 1991. The Project Report was returned to the project authorities with a request to modify is taking into consideration the observations of the Screening Committee and the Central Water Commission.

Supply of Paraffin Wax to Kerala

6545. SHRI K. MURALEE DHARAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the annual production of paraffin wax in the country;

(b) the State-wise allocation made during 1991-92;

(c) whether the Government have received request from the Government of Kerala to increase the quota; and

(d) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Estimated production of Paraffin Wax in the refineries during 1991-92 will be about 47000 tonnes.

(b) allocation is made on quarterly basis. A statement indicating allocation of paraffin wax to various States/UTs. during the first two quarters of 1991-92 is enclosed.

(c) and (d). Allocation is made keeping in view the indigenous availability and the imports.

STATEMENT

S. No.	*Name of the State/UT.*	*Total allocation from April-September, 1991 (Figures in MTs)*
1.	Andhra Pradesh	1138
2.	Assam	1870